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Applicant(s): **GARRY Z. GU**Case: **LCNT/GU 1**Serial No.: **09/520,677**Filed: **03/07/2000**Examiner: **THOMAS E. VOLPER**Group Art Unit: **2697**

Title: **CREDIT-BASED ADAPTIVE FLOW CONTROL FOR MULTI-STAGE  
MULTI-DIMENSIONAL SWITCHING ARCHITECTURE**

Mail Stop NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

**Introductory Comments**

This paper is in response to the Office Action dated November 24, 2003  
(Paper No. 12).

This paper is intended as a full and complete response to the Office  
Action. In the Office Action, the Examiner notes that claims 1-18 are pending, of  
which claims 1-5, 10-12 and 15-17 stand rejected and claims 6-9, 13, 14 and 18  
are objected to. By this response, all claims continue unamended and  
arguments addressing the Examiner's position are provided.